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Buttons, now!

BY now Hongkong is so accustomed to the torrent of complaints — and often abuse — that its exports arouse that the campaign launched by British button makers will have surprised no one. The measures being taken against Hongkong, however, are, for a change, almost beyond criticism: no boycott is proposed, no ban is sought from the Government; merely an appeal to British button users to buy the home product.

But it must not be forgotten that British button makers are traditionally pessimistic and resent competition strongly. Some among us may recall the outcry in '27 when there was actually a demand to the Board of Trade for a duty on imports. It was the same story then, factories closing, thousands being thrown out of work. Now the suggestion is that the industry is faced with collapse.

THIS fear seems to be exaggerated though figures indicating that the Colony now supplies a quarter of British requirements may be true. There appears, however, to have been no sharp increase in exports from Hongkong recently, as the button makers suggest. In fact, official statistics indicate a decline during the last three years from about \$8 million worth in 1957 to about \$6.5 million worth last year.

Hongkong's exports consist mostly of plastic buttons which are presumably what British manufacturers are complaining of most. No indication is given of the price difference but the Hongkong product must be undercutting heavily to have made such a large inroad into the British market.

The button makers are an ancient and honourable fraternity known in both Birmingham and London. How much they are still governed by their great traditions and colourful history it is impossible to tell. But no manufacturer will forget that the son of Matthew Boulton the older produced buttons in his Soho works at the fascinating price of 140 guineas a gross — admittedly 300 years ago. Clearly we are not discussing the sort of kind of button now. But the question arises: is the industry unwilling to do more than appeal to the patriotism and sympathy of its customers in an endeavour to survive?

It must also be asked whether Hongkong really is the cause of 33 button makers closing down and 16 stopping production. The mass-produced low-price shirt for which there is a big demand everywhere today does not allow manufacturers to be too discriminating about their choice of buttons. The cheapest are undoubtedly the best providing they are reliably strong. And to this extent the Hongkong export is only meeting a demand which the British button industry clearly cannot satisfy.

None but a button expert — and they are all to rare in this Colony — could tell us whether Britain is trying to fight the influx from Hongkong with the pearlshell product or the once familiar cattle-hoof buttons. But it is to be hoped that British manufacturers have not forgotten the lesson of history. It took an exiled Dane, one Sanders, to work a revolution with the metal button in 1667. It may take an exiled Chinese in Hongkong to work another with humble plastic 150 years later.

"Sheer miracle no one was killed" RUNAWAY TRUCK DRAMA

Traffic policeman leaps for his life

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

A police constable leapt to safety only a split second before a huge driverless truck crushed the traffic pagoda on which he was standing, in Queen's Rd., Central this morning.

The truck ground the box under its wheels and careered another 15 feet before crashing into a parked taxi at the intersection of Queen's Road and Ice House Street.



CONSTABLE NG KWOK-HUNG
... he nearly copped it.

Through a sheer miracle nobody in the crowded section was injured. The police constable, Ng Kwok-hung, was directing traffic at the intersection at about 10.30 a.m. when the accident occurred.

The truck had been parked on a steep incline in Ice House Street near the Colonial Secretariat while the driver was delivering goods to an office.

About a half minute after he left the truck it slowly started to roll down the incline.

Dozens of people leapt for their lives as the runaway truck gathered speed and lumbered towards the thickly crowded intersection at Queen's Rd.

The driver and several pedestrians, hands waving, ran down the street after the truck frantically shouting a warning.

Four cars travelling slowly along Queen's Rd., screeched to a halt as the truck zig zagging out of control missed them by a few feet.

Warning Screams

Police Constable Ng told the China Mail he was turned aside on to the approaching truck when he heard several people screaming a warning.

He said: "I looked around to see the truck coming straight at me."

"Without hesitation I jumped as far as I could only a split second before the truck hit the traffic stand," he added.

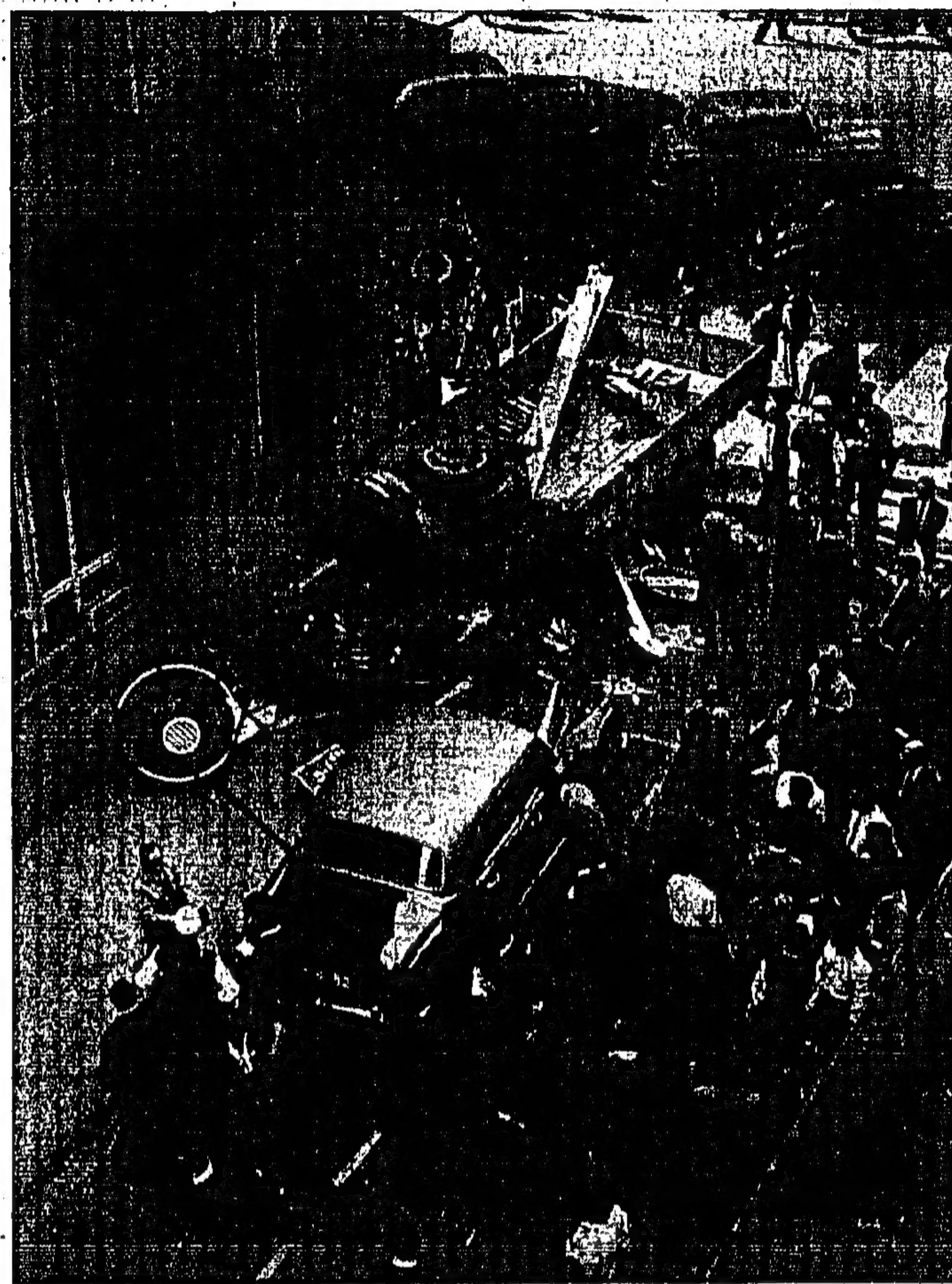
The truck turned the steel and wood stand into a twisted mass.

It then careered onwards and crashed into a parked taxi.

Impact of the collision smashed the front section and shattered the windscreen of the taxi. The driver however, escaped injury.

Traffic in Queen's Road and Ice House Street was soon snarled by a huge crowd of curious onlookers.

Police cleared the crowd and later towed away the wrecked vehicles.



The end of the journey—a runaway truck lands on the pavement in Ice House Street after knocking down a traffic constable's pagoda (part of which is seen on the left) and colliding into a parked taxi seen in the foreground.—China Mail photo.

Chessman asks for reprieve

Sacramento, Feb. 18. Governor Edmund Brown has agreed to meet tonight with Caryl Chessman's attorney Miss Rosalie Asher, who delivered a new appeal asking a 30-day reprieve.

Caryl Chessman made the appeal in a hand-written letter. The message was telephoned to the Governor from San Francisco by Miss Asher.

It is the first time the condemned man has personally appealed to the Governor.

Chessman asked for the reprieve to provide information about the crimes for which he was convicted and condemned in 1948.

In the letter, Chessman again insisted he is innocent of the "Red Light Bandit" crimes.

NOT SPECIFIC

Governor Brown's press secretary, Mr. Hale Champion, said there was nothing specific in the letter to indicate what information Chessman wants to gather to present to the Governor.

He said Chessman asked the contents of the letter to be kept in confidence and "we will respect that."

The Governor did not say what his action would be, but said his secretary would meet with Miss Asher later to discuss evidence she said she would bring him.

A final move to save the life of the criminal failed late yesterday.

For the second straight day, the State Supreme Court voted 4-3 against clemency and sealed the door by saying "this order is final forthwith."—AP.

Thief's big haul in cemetery

Manila, Feb. 19. An unidentified thief has stolen more than 1,500 crosses marking the graves of Americans and Filipinos in the military cemetery at the U.S. Clark Air Force Base. They said the crosses, stolen from the cemetery were of cast iron type of about 8 lbs each and that the thief "apparently was interested in metal for scrap."

Clark Field investigators said the thief made no attempt to steal the crosses marking other graves in the cemetery made of concrete or steel.—UPI.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE GESTURE TO CROWD

London, Feb. 19. A Buckingham Palace spokesman told a crowd waiting outside the Palace last night that there was not likely to be any news of the birth of the Queen's third child during the night.

Pink and blue cocktails

London, Feb. 19. A "pink" for a "girl, blue-for-a-boy" cocktail will be served at London's exclusive Savoy Hotel when the royal birth is announced.

The barman, Joe Gilmore, said here tonight he has worked out alternative recipes to produce the desired colour, which over it turns out to be either way it will be called "Royal Arrival."—Reuters.

Told to go

The two Palace officials, Major Milbank and Commander Colville, came down to the railings of Buckingham Palace to advise the crowd of nearly 300 that they should go home.

"No news tonight," they shouted through the railings. Nothing more is expected now until tomorrow.

This unprecedented gesture by Royal household officials was greatly appreciated by the crowd, teeth-chattering in the near freezing temperature. A woman cried: "Thank you—now we can all go home."

Most of them immediately started to make their way to the last buses, and underground trains, but a few score stayed behind for a midnight vigil "just in case."—UPI and Reuters.

The 'Oriental Look' sweeps Europe

The "Oriental Look" in eye make-up for women was sweeping Europe and all Western countries, a world authority revealed today.

He is Mr. Menache E. Polit, Vice-President of the International Division of Max Factor Hollywood.

Mr. Polit, an Italian-born American said the trend towards the style, developed by Max Factor, was "simply amazing."

The "Oriental Look" featured the accentuation of upturned eyebrows giving the wearer a genuine oriental appearance.

"The sales all over the world has really been amazing," Mr. Polit told a China Mail reporter.

"The new oriental look was only released on the market last year and everywhere it's been rushed. "Oriental women may well have been the cause for a revolution in eye make-up," he added.



MR. MENACHE POLITI

Mr. Polit said that because of the increasing emphasis on eye make-up Max Factor and Co. have perfected an "eye line" which will simplify beautification.

"But I can't say too much about that as it is a top secret until its release." Mr. Polit is on a world tour of Max Factor branches and will return to the United States after making an intensive survey.

FOUR PLEAD NOT GUILTY TO \$90,000 ROBBERY

Four men pleaded not guilty to four robbery charges involving \$93,734 worth of gold, jewelry, ornaments and cash, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

They were Cheung Chin-pang, Lau Wing, Lau Tung and Cheung Fei.

Crown Counsel, Mr. D. N. E. Rea told Mr Justice K. R. Macfee, however, that the Crown was not offering any evidence against the four accused, Cheung Fei.

They were charged with robbing:

★ Chan Kwok-mei of \$7,210 of gold ornaments on April 23, 1959;

★ Hui Wing-shu of gold ornaments worth \$19,900 on January 9, 1959;

UNSUITABLE

London, Feb. 18. A woman has refused to rent a house in Lincoln because it doesn't have an extra bedroom for her dog. The Daily Mail reported today.—UPI.

Arrested of drug ring

Kobe, Feb. 18. The Japanese narcotics control section reported today the arrest yesterday of a Chinese suspected of heading a smuggling ring.

The Chinese was identified as Kuo Chin-hsin who was suspected smuggling heroin worth about \$5.5 million into Japan over the past five years.

Two other members of the alleged ring were arrested earlier.

Narcotics agents said the heroin was shipped from Hongkong to Kobe and then sent to Tokyo.—UPI.

HK man disappears on way to Macao

A Hongkong man disappeared mysteriously from a Macao ferry early yesterday, leaving behind a pair of leather shoes, a letter, a Hongkong identity card and a re-entry permit on deck.

Seamen of mv Tak Shing which sailed from Hongkong at 3 a.m. found the man's belongings on the starboard

sternage when the boat was pulling into Macao.

The man was identified as Chu Man, 28, of 98 Tak Cheong Street, second floor, Kowloon. A letter addressed to his mother at 11 Fabrice Street, third floor, Hongkong, was said to have been found.

The mother is an invalid. Chu is believed to have been discharged from hospital ten days ago.

Last autumn, he told his mother he had acquired some money and planned to purchase an old godown in West Point as a site for a construction firm. Shortly after, the mother found him depressed, and he told her that the construction firm had gone bankrupt, and was owing over \$100,000.

The Duke praises Royal tours

GRATEFUL FOR BIG
WELCOME IN
COUNTRIES VISITED

London, Feb. 18.

The Duke of Edinburgh said today that he believed visits by the Royal Family to the Commonwealth "awakened a response which cannot be put into words."

The Duke was speaking at a Guildhall luncheon given by the Lord Mayor.

The Duke said: "To the people we visited we are like Shakespeare's poetic pen which turns to shapes and gives to airy nothing a local habitation and a name."

"We bring into immediate focus all the mystery of all the

days, nights, miles, handshakes, garden parties, visits.

This was impressive but im-

personal.

"These journeys are nothing if not human and personal occasions," he added. "There is nothing mechanical or material about them and that is why it is so difficult to assess what effect they may have."

"The crowds of people who have personally witnessed or taken part in the festivities of these journeys may have done so for any number of likely and unlikely reasons but most of them have gone away having experienced a very simple and moving emotion."

"Something about the whole occasion has awakened a response which cannot be put into words."

IDEALS

"Although these journeys are intensely personal and human occasions, it is not the person doing the journey nor is it as the representative of any particular nation or way of life."

"I believe that the key is that we remind people of ideas and perhaps ideals which they respect and admire."

"These occasions may conjure up many other thoughts but I am certain of one thing, a great many people get a lot of pleasure out of these journeys and I believe they feel a kind of kinship with all the other people who share the same experience."

"At any rate I hope this is true because I hope whatever other significance these journeys may have they will help to bring home to people the essential link between all the nations and races of the Commonwealth in particular and the basic unity of all the individual inhabitants of this world in general."—*Reuter.*

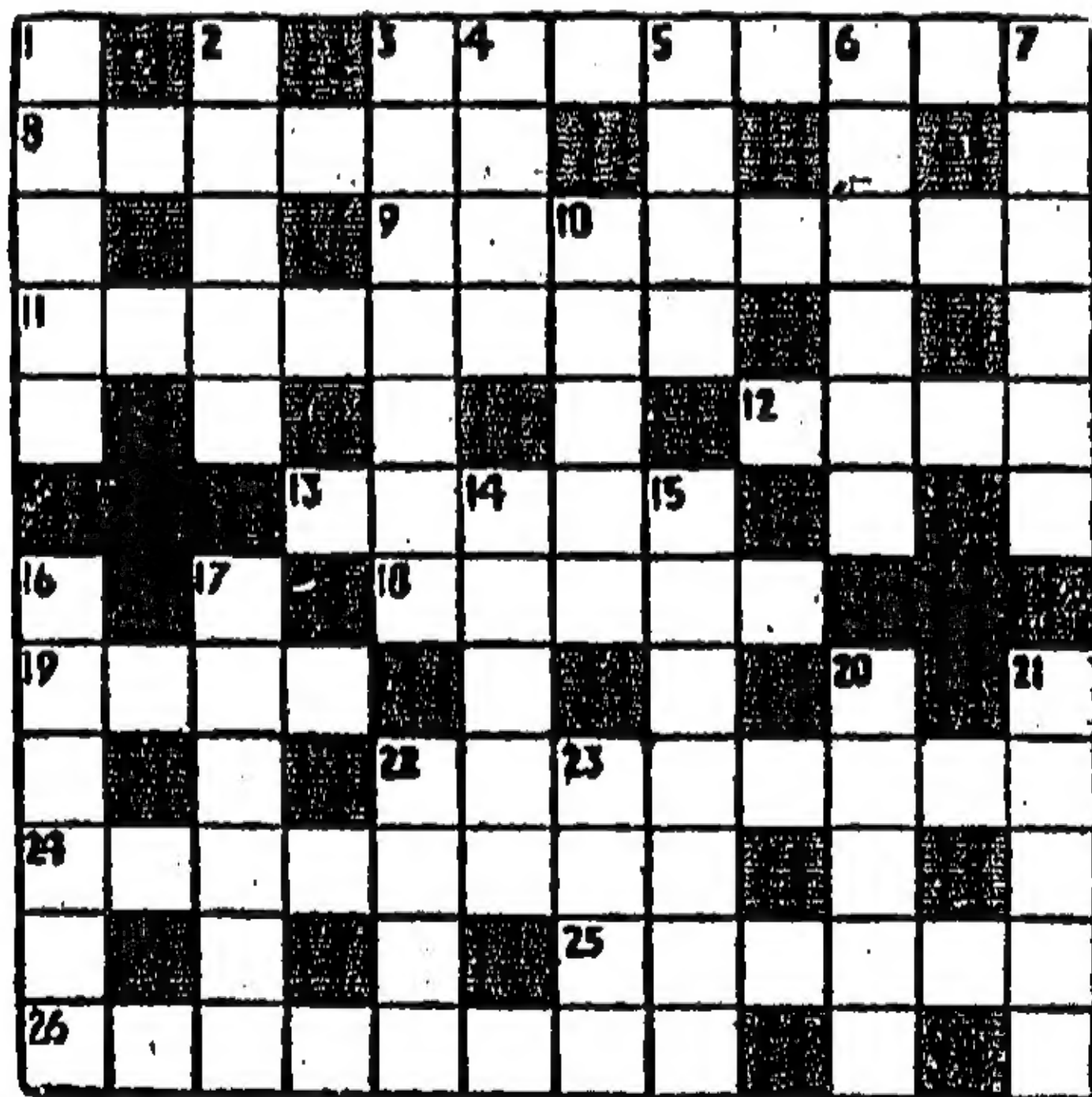
COSTLY TRADE

New York, Feb. 18.

The burglary trade is just too costly these days, according to Richard Weisberg, 26.

Weisberg, accused of a \$100 lavatory holdup, said he spent \$50 of the money on taxi and bus fares to get out of town.—*UPI.*

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Should hesitate to bear arms (6).
- 8 She was dead against blood-letting (6).
- 9 Time for another date (8).
- 11 St. Andrew's crosses (8).
- 12 Heavenly reverse for rodents (4).
- 13 Men from Salem (5).
- 18 Lies down, maybe (5).
- 19 The bread of idleness? (4).
- 22 Beer gave the perfect example, many think (6).
- 24 Sky fish? (8).
- 26 Outcome of a reshuffle in Ireland? (6).
- 26 Determined to be somebody's fiancée (6).

DOWN

- 1 Convulsion of W.O. after spring (5).
- 2 A penny on bread? How ludicrous! (6).
- 3 Much of a muchness (7).
- 4 Shirt for the laundry or the barber? (4).
- 5 Vessels which make runs (4).
- 6 Their number is limited, but one can make any number of them (6).
- 7 Scientific reply? (6).
- 10 Valley (5).
- 14 Turn up and have a good time! (5).
- 15 Hardened (7).
- 16 Old boys in an I.O.W. bay, perhaps (6).
- 17 Lucky number at the races (6).
- 20 After five the ailment becomes indefinite (5).
- 21 Is a bulky and unpopular passenger given a wide berth? (6).
- 22 What the poverty-stricken don't have! (4).
- 23 He put an end to Guinevere (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Switches, 7 Spice, 8 Post-oral, 10 Iceman, 13 Results, 15 Sloe, 17 Letters, 18 Clacks, 20 Rail, 21 Rabbies, 22 Coconut, 23 Sub-sided, 24 Even-ly, 26 Strained, Down: 1 Limes, 2 Lines, 3 Sperm, 4 Told, 5 Hardie, 6 Solves, 9 Antler, 11 Cells, 12 Mural, 14 Bo-Inco, 16 Buba, 18 Orate, 19 Cr.-les, 20 Timber, 22 Boded, 23 Is-let, 24 State, 25 Mint.

A kiss from Mr K



Mr Nikita Khrushchev kisses a little Indian girl at a reception in his honour at the new Bhilai steel plant near Calcutta, during his recent tour of India.—*AP Photo.*

China a greater menace to U.S.

Washington, Feb. 18. The U.S. Secretary of State Mr. Christian Herter hinted today that China might be a greater military menace to the United States than Russia 15 or 20 years from now.

He said Russia at present posed a greater military threat to the U.S. and the free world. But, looking into the future, he added:

"It would be foolhardy to predict which would be the greater menace to us 15 or 20 years from now."

"Let us hope that the sanity of the world will prevail so that neither will be a threat to us."

Mr Herter described China's public attitude towards the United States as "tougher" than the attitude shown by the Soviet Union.

In meetings attended by both Communist nations, "it is the Chinese who say the nastiest words about us"—*AP* and *Reuter.*

Misplaced

Montgomery, Feb. 18. State Publicity Director Roy Marenco today reported that Alabama has been misplaced.

He complained to the editors of Better Homes and Gardens magazine that a map in this month's issue placed Alabama where Mississippi ought to be and moved Mississippi next to Georgia.—*UPI.*

Ike hands Republican emblems to Russians

Washington, Feb. 18. Amid roars of laughter President Eisenhower handed over to a party of eleven visiting Soviet republic premiers "elephant" buttons—the emblem of the Republican Party and invited them to "join the party".

Each of the button pins was surrounded by a tiny elephant with red glass eyes.

As he handed over the souvenirs Eisenhower said, with a broad smile: "Gentlemen I should like to make good Republicans out of you. Republicans are 'all good people'."

Dimitri Polyanski, Premier of the Russian Socialist Federal Soviet Republic, immediately quipped back that Soviet Ambassador Mikhail Menshikov had been so long in the United States that he was not a Communist any more but a Republican.

But Menshikov had the last laugh as he retorted: "I'm an Independent."—*APF.*

Quite alive

New York, Feb. 18. Adolf Fale told would-be rescuers yesterday he really wasn't dead.

Police set out with ropes and a long ladder after spotting Fale lying motionless and face down on the Sheboygan river ice. But he explained he was peering through the ice trying to spot minnows and remained motionless so as not to frighten them.—*UPI.*

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Girl the Admiral vouched for found not guilty

London, Feb. 18.

Miss Lysette Van-Tam, beautiful 31-year-old daughter of a former President of Vietnam, was found not guilty of a customs charge here today and discharged.

Miss Van-Tam, whose integrity was vouched for yesterday by British First Sea Lord, Admiral Sir Charles Lamb, had pleaded not guilty to "knowingly attempting to remove four dresses and a coat on which customs duty had not been paid" on a return trip from Paris.

British customs claimed treble duty plus purchase tax totalling £737.

Defence counsel—Mr. Peter Crowder, Conservative MP—told the jury today that his client had never appealed for their sympathy because of her experiences as a Communist prisoner and a refugee.

"She is an honest woman," he declared.

At Victoria Station where she declared some cigarettes, she made no attempt to conceal some dresses in new cartons which she had bought in Paris where her father now lives.

Yesterday Admiral Sir Charles Lamb told the court that he met her family while in the Far East and that he and Lady Lamb acted as Miss Van-Tam's "unofficial parents" while she was in this country as a student.

She could not have had a higher tribute paid her, the Admiral broke the news to her.

He refused a defence application for costs but thought the customs authorities would re-

She didn't know she was pregnant

Bel Air, Feb. 19.

Mrs Mary Catherine Cooper, 38, gave birth to a six-pound girl at her home in this Maryland town.

Nothing unusual about that? Just one thing: She didn't know she was pregnant.

Mrs Cooper, a grandmother and the mother of two teenage sons, had been feeling fine. She did put on a little weight during the past month. But as her husband, Oscar, a 42-year-old electrician, explained:

"We thought that was only due to her getting older."

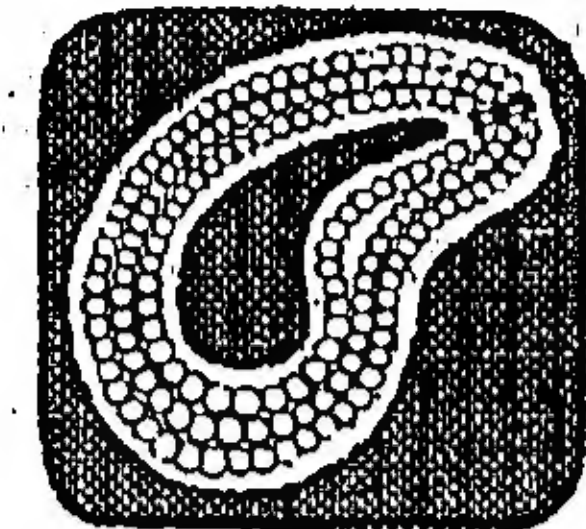
Mrs Cooper put in a regular working day on Wednesday on her job at the Bel Air High School cafeteria. Then, early on Thursday, she became ill.

Cooper took his wife to the family doctor, Dr. Gerald Palmer. Dr. Palmer broke the news to them that she was going to have a baby. The birth came at 7 a.m.—*AP.*

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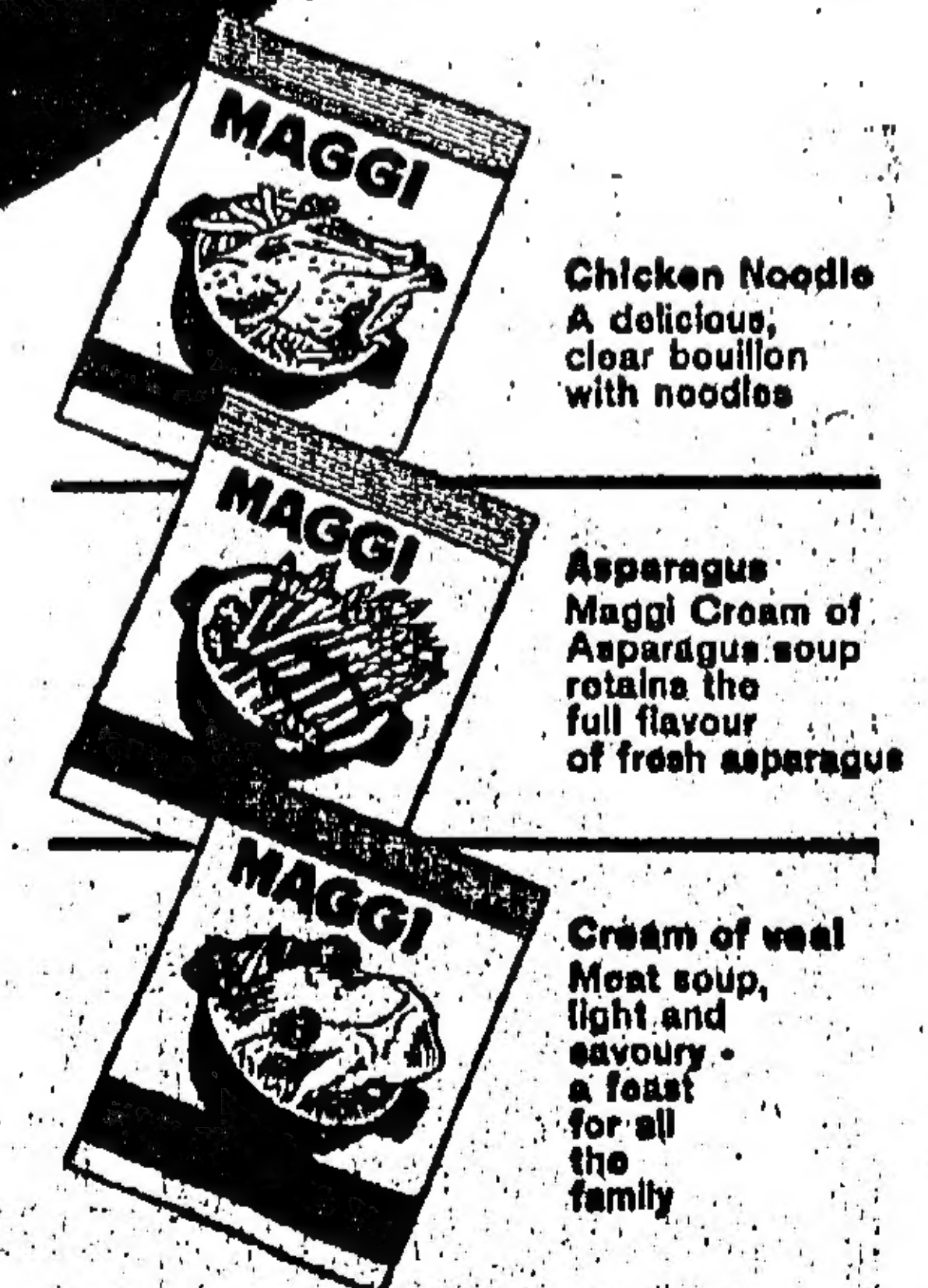
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Nothing for family of
shot wife

YET £1,000 GOES TO
CYPRIOT'S RELATIVES

London, Feb. 18. It is sixteen months since Mrs Katherine Cutcliffe was shot dead in one of the most cold-blooded killings of the Cyprus terror, but her husband, ex-Sergeant David Cutcliffe, has received no compensation. Yet the family of one Cypriot who died during the hunt for her murderer has been given £1,000. Another has been paid £578.

Mrs Cutcliffe, 41-year-old mother of five, was shot five times in Panagusta, a "murder mile" as she shopped for material for a wedding dress for her eldest daughter Margaret, now 20.

CHILDREN TO BRING UP Her husband is now out of the Army and for the last four months has been tenant of the Royal Oak at Ystalyfera, in the Swansea Valley. Margaret is a sergeant's wife in Germany. Sister Mary, 18, looks after David (four), Malcolm (three), Jeanette (two), and her father.

Mr Cutcliffe said: "If I had died that afternoon, Katherine would have got a pension. Because it was she who died, I got nothing. How can that be fair? I have the children to bring up just as she would." Mr Cutcliffe, a Socialist M.P. for Gower, is to investigate the case. He said: "I feel that this is a case that has been hard done by. I am looking into the whole of the facts and shall do all I can to get compensation for Mr Cutcliffe and his children."

But last February, when Mr Christopher Soames was asked in Parliament why compensation had not been paid, his answer was: "I regret that compensation is not payable in such circumstances." Mr Cutcliffe says: "People won't believe we haven't had compensation."

MANHUNT

The Panagusta coroner, Mr James Traynor, described the shooting—the only killing of a Serviceman's wife in Cyprus—as "the most horrible, dastardly murder it has ever been my lot to inquire into." There followed one of the fiercest manhunts of the emergency. Two Cypriots, Panayiotis Christoforou and Andreas Louca, died in custody. It was their families who were compensated.

Mr Cutcliffe, 43, came home at

the end of 1958. He worked as a driver's mate, while Mary looked after the family in Swansea.

"Then the chance of this job came along," he said. "I'd always been interested in this line—I was officers' mess steward in Cyprus—so I took it. I wanted to get some money together and get my own house, so that the children would have a place of their own."

£61 TAKINGS

"The other week the takings were £61. That's not enough to pay the brewers. This is a depressed area. There's no money about, except on Friday and Saturday. But maybe it will improve. I'm trying hard to increase trade."

Mary helps her father in the two bars. "It's a nice change," she said. "It took a while to get used to not going out. I went dancing two or three times a week before my mother died."

The father said: "I'd have been lost without Mary. Margaret was with her mother when she was killed. They lived at her, too, and she was pretty shaken up. I was almost out of my mind. It was Mary who had the cool head."

"But if there was only a little more money, life could be so much better for her. I am going to fight this all the way."

—(London Express Service).

FALSE ALARM

Loyton, Feb. 18. A break in the Wood and Metal Industries Co. factory water-sprinkling system yesterday set off an automatic alarm. Firemen answering the call accidentally tripped over a Scotland Yard burglar alarm which brought a squad of police to the scene.—UPI.

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Sick of
word
'migrant'

Sydney, Feb. 18.

A 16-year-old Scottish schoolboy who visited Australia under the auspices of the Australian Immigration Department, said here he was sick of the sound of the word migrant.

David Clerk of Aberdeen was one of four British school children who left for home after spending five weeks in Australia as a prize for an essay competition.

Three of the young tourists said they had been impressed by much of Australia — its climate, \$22 and the friendliness of the people — and would like to return. They were Shirley Godfrey, 11, of Nottingham; John Bailey, 15, of Cheshire; and Ann Willis, 15, of London.

But David Clerk commented: "I do not know why Australia should push its immigration policy so much. I am sick of the sound of the word migrant. 'Why should Australia force a lot of people to leave home with stories of sun, surf and the like? They talk about sun and surf, but after all, what is that? You cannot enjoy yourself all the time' — China Mail Special.

RN transfer

London, Feb. 18.

The Royal Navy minesweeper Darlington will sail for Singapore on February 22 for transfer to the navy of the Federation of Malaya.

Tunku Yacub, Malayan High Commissioner in London, will inspect the ship before she sails. After transfer she will be renamed Mahamira.—AP.

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Antarctica as
international
territory

London, Feb. 18.

Lord Shackleton, son of the famous Antarctic explorer, Sir Ernest Shackleton, suggested today that Antarctica should become the first United Nations territory and be fully internationalised.

He was urging the government to outline its policy towards a land to which he said the "cold war" had never come.

The 1959 Antarctic treaty, whose signatories include the Soviet Union, bans all military weapons from the five million square-mile continent and sets up the world's first international inspection system to ensure that Antarctica will be used only for peaceful purposes.—Reuter.

After Dutch
car market

Amsterdam, Feb. 18. Britain led an eight-nation sales drive on the Dutch car market at the opening of Holland's biggest-ever car show today.

A total of 65 makes made up the hundreds of models on view.

Britain entered 19 makes followed by Germany (16), the United States (15), France (seven), Italy (four), Sweden (two) and Holland and Czechoslovakia one each.—China Mail Special.

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I CAN TAKE A
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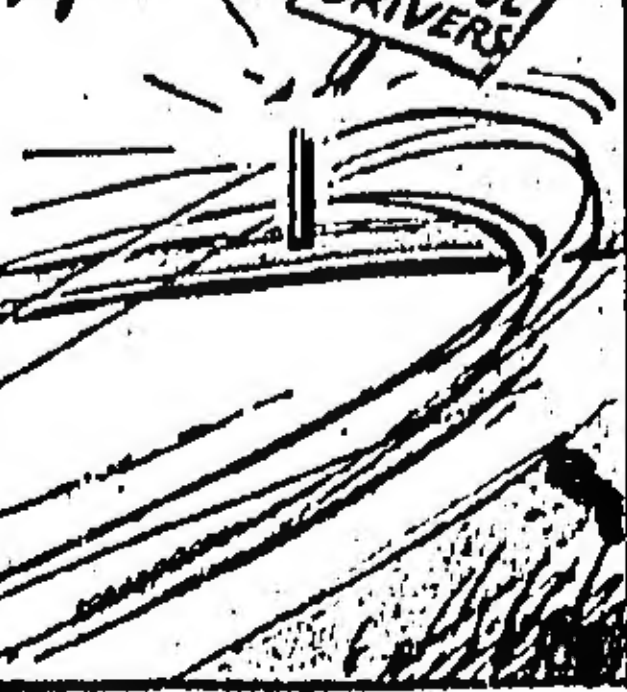
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IN SPAIN THEY PLAY
THE CASTANETS

AND THEY DRINK
Carlsberg

This is why Nasser wants to stir up new trouble

SHOOTING has flared on the world's most sensitive frontier—between Israel and her Arab neighbours. From the commanding slopes where the Gadarene Swine plunged to their death, Syrian forces marched west into disputed territory. From Cairo trumpeted reports that the Egyptian Army and Air Force were on the move.

How near is big trouble again in the Middle East? And, if it comes, who will be to blame?

Ever since the cease-fire between Israel and the Arab States in 1948, the so-called demilitarised zone—which hugs the southern shore of the Sea of Galilee—has been in dispute.

Now, in ISRAEL, the farmers who till the land along that bullet-scarred frontier have gone on strike.

For 12 years, whenever there have been their backs in the fields, they have seen the glitter of the sun on the barrels of Jordanian and Syrian guns. Again and again, they have had to drop their hoes as shooting broke out.

Today these hard-pressed Jewish farmers and their families are reluctant to tell any longer under fire from the eastern slopes.

HIS AIM

So the Israeli authorities sent men out, under cover of night, to dig a ditch.

That, they insist, represents the new international frontier. "So far and no farther" for the Syrians.

They declare that their action was taken under pressure of constant petty provocation.

Who is the master-mind behind this continual intimidation of the Israelis?

It is President Nasser in CAIRO. From there he conducts the Arab world's war of nerves. His aim is clear...

To irritate the Israelis by a repetition of minor, almost insignificant, incidents—in the hope that they will be goaded into taking drastic corrective action, which can then be labelled as aggression before the world.

Nasser's purpose is two-fold. He is out not only to have Israel branded as an aggressor.

He also needs the wave of anti-Israel incidents to be maintained to shore up his reputation in the running fight for total leadership of the Arab States with General Kassem of Iraq.

Nasser's fear—that if for a moment he loses the initiative in rallying the Arab States round him he will be deposed as their chief by Kassem.

Nasser has his troubles, too, in SYRIA.

There, in the capital city of Damascus, are rumblings of discontent.

Since the Socialists were finally squeezed out of Syrian political life recently, the country has had a Nasser-type single-party system imposed on it.

Three hundred Syrians in key posts have been replaced by Egyptian army officers. Civil servants from Cairo have come in to oust Syrians who had always held to a proud belief that as Arabs, they were superior to the Egyptians.

GRIEVANCE

All this, say intelligence reports, has brought a growing sense of grievance in Syria.

So Nasser and his aides find it imperative to channel their animosity against Israel—for fear that, otherwise, it might turn on themselves.

This perennial fostering of external crises, to distract attention from internal pressures, is a technique Nasser has learned from autocratic rulers before him—from Napoleon to Mussolini, Hitler and the Communist leaders.

What is the UNITED NATIONS doing to resolve the crisis?

Today, along the unequipped frontiers, range officers of UNO patrol. They are impeccably uniformed; they ride in white, radio-equipped trucks.

But they are quite powerless to keep the peace. They are little more than a post-box for complaints.

Further south their colleagues of the armed United Nations Emergency Force have had better results, keeping Egyptian

by KENNETH
AMES

and Israeli troops firmly separated on the Gaza Strip since December 1956.

The Israelis, claiming a minor record as letter writers, say they have protested 750 times to the United Nations over troubles in the demilitarised zones.

But neither the Israelis nor the Arabs believe that UNO will be any more effective in sorting out their dispute in the future than it has been in the past.

The Israelis—angered at the failure of the UNO Secretary-General, Dag Hammarskjöld, to settle the problem of Suez Canal navigation rights when he met Nasser recently—are now itching for trouble.

Their hope was that Mr Hammarskjöld was going to insist that free passage through the Canal be given to the Danish ship *Imo*. She was carrying an Israeli cargo, but was held up by Nasser from last May.

But nothing has come of that. Mr Hammarskjöld has been to Cairo and left—and the *Imo* is being ignominiously forced to unload her cargo before she can sail on.

Defeat in one sphere means Israel will now feel she must show fresh initiative in another to stop the world forgetting her plight between the Arab powers.

So any calm that rests over the Israeli-Arab borders at this time is frighteningly uneasy.

If a full-scale showdown comes, it could mean a Gadarene gallop of the twentieth century. For there is nothing to suggest that Nasser's 100,000-strong regular army today stands any better chance against Israel's 250,000 emergency force than it did in 1948 or 1956.

For 12 nerve-racked years the dispute between Israel and the Arabs has dragged on. There is no sign of it being settled. Until it is there can be no hope of Middle East peace.

Years of reporting the Middle East scene have convinced me that the Arab world does not even want that peace—until Israel is crased from the map.

—(London Express Service).



"But suppose we did make the railways work properly—Bang goes Toryism's best propaganda against Socialist nationalisation!"

London Express Service.

NEW YORK NEWSLETTER

New York. In this city, where it is eccentric to have last year's model of anything, there is a curious craze at the moment for antiques.

Suddenly, the newest look in interior decorating is the old-fashioned. And, while it may be quite to have a brass warming pan in a centrally heated bedroom, New Yorkers are pursuing the past with a expensive enthusiasm.

A Sheraton bookcase is a good buy at £600, a snuffbox a snip at £50. A conservative estimate of the financial turnover from antique trading in America over the past six months puts the figure at £15 million.

The search

In Manhattan the search for mellowness centres on East 57th Street, Sandwiched between the skyscrapers, and overshadowed by the skyscrapers, are shops displaying Chippendale furniture. Dresden shop-horridnesses dangle with the bloom on their cheeks bathed in pink neon lighting.

Nowhere, in this already in the asphalt, is there a price tag to be seen. Wisely, because compared with the Portobello Road or even Piccadilly the prices are prodigious. Even the dealers admit that English antiques are sold here at five times the buying price in London.

They blame the agents, and decorators who demand huge discounts, for the margin.

English dealers are the most successful here despite the razor-sharp competition. Sur-

The modern American turns to Old England...

prisingly because New York is the home of the fast-talking "hard sell"—and the doughty English scorn that sort of thing.

Behind the Georgian pine door at number 143, Mr John Elliot Trevelyan details the beauties of 18th Century English furniture. His leisurely debating line of sales talk drops to a whisper when prices are mentioned.

Considering that chairs here are sometimes sold for £2,000 each, his confidential approach is understandable.

Finding out

But perhaps the most redoubtable of the 30 English dealers is Miss Millie Mannheim. She properly belongs to that peculiarly English species of genteel pioneers. She came here 12 years ago to build up the New York side of her family's London business, yet still regards her stay as "only temporary."

She is a tall, angular woman in a tweed skirt, sensible shoes and a twin set of indefinite blue. She has a Bloomsbury fringe to her straight, black hair and a bold nose that looks cold, despite the central heating.

Her appearance of having had some bother with the garden fete is deceptive, however. Miss Millie is an assured authority on the porcelain and pottery that she sells. And the milk-swathed Park Avenue matrons she serves soon get her deferential, but distinct message.

"I welcome the customer who does not know much about antiques but is interested in finding out," she says. "But I deplore the person who regards an exquisite piece of craftsmanship as a pretty trinket to blend in with a colour scheme."

Being a successful business woman Miss Millie does not usually speak her sentiments so strongly. "One must realise that this is business," she says. "and it is not always the most sensitive who can afford to spend the most money."

Infuriating

"One must realise that often, in this country, one is dealing with the nouveau riche. Often too one senses that there is an interior decorator in the background piping the tune to which the customer is willing to pay."

"It is quite infuriating to think that some silly man has ordered a woman to buy delicious pink porcelain—because it fits in with a colour scheme."

Miss Millie surveys her Bliton enamel and bodkin cases as if they were threatened by barbarians. "My dear, interior decorators rule the women here," she laments. "And the customers will even ask for the most delicate pieces on approval to see if they fit in."

"On one occasion an exquisite crueted porcelain dish came back with jam on it!"

Then she perks up—perhaps at the recollection that one small trifle box can bring £50. "One must remember that there is a genuine, growing interest in antiques here," she concedes. "Not as far as the majority of buyers are concerned, mind you, but a growing number... that is most satisfactory."

She beams radiantly, as a kettle for tea hisses in the back room. "Personally I cannot

complain," she says. "After all, if I were not making money I would jolly well pack up and go home."

I doubt that Miss Millie, and the other antique dealers, will need to complain for a long time. The antique craze becomes more and more encompassing.

Among the customers I saw was a Copenhagen showgirl, the kind once associated with diamond collecting. As she told an admirer she was fascinated by a trifle box with the motto: "A Trifle Shows Respects."

Intriguing

One of the more intriguing aspects of the American Defence Department estimates for 1960 is the sum of one million dollars to be spent on tranquillisers for the armed forces.

A spokesman told me: "The military uses tranquillisers for the same purposes as civilian doctors—to help in the relief of



by JOHN
LAMBERT

tensions, treatment of nervous cases and for similar reasons."

The situation conjures up delightful visions of drowsy but amiable drill sergeants.

But when I suggested this the spokesman said: "A drill sergeant would be given sedatives only to have a good night's sleep to increase his drill square efficiency."

IN GREENWICH VILLAGE they speak admiringly of the Beatnik who stopped being a drug addict simply because he got so bored with heroin.

—(London Express Service).

ASK a woman's age— She'll err less than any man

The World
of Science
By Peter Fairley

WOMEN are notorious for lying about their age. In fact, MEN do it far more often, says Dr Nathan Masor, an American specialist in illnesses of old age.

He has just carried out a survey of 151 men and women of all ages. Each time they visited their doctor they were asked how old they were.

Under-25s were truthful all the time;

In the 30-50 group, 14 per cent of the men and 10 per cent of the women lied at least once. Two men and one woman started to fib as soon as they were widowed;

Over-50 group, one man but no women lied. Most seemed to be proud to have reached their age.

All the liars claimed to be younger.

Dr Masor concludes: "Though, in general, males lied more frequently than females, the lies of the females were more incredible and subtle. Though the females lied less frequently they were the bigger liars."

Which is some small consolation.

Lights for M1?

BRITAIN'S highway, the M1, MAY BE LIT AFTER ALL. A British firm has developed a new kind of lamp which is more efficient than any other in

the world—10 times more than a household bulb, and a major improvement on fluorescent types. Like sodium vapour, it gives off a yellow light.

Trials on a stretch of road at Leicester have shown that it would be ideal for M1. Drivers would not need headlights. The lamp could be mounted 10 or 15 feet higher than usual, and set well back from the verges.

£4,000 a mile

The firm believes it could fit up M1 at a cost of £4,000 per mile. The present mesh anti-dazzle screening is being installed at £3,500 a mile.

The Ministry of Transport says: "At present it is not our policy to light motorways. But the matter is under constant review."

And I understand that the new lamp is very much under Ministry review.

Cure in the cold

It is often asked: "What good do these Antarctic expeditions do?"

Well, a U.S. navy team, after four years in the icy wastes, has

found something which looks like proving a big boon to medicine. It is a drug which, in navy words, "shows greater potency against certain bacteria than any other antibiotic currently used."

The sailors noticed that the stomachs of local birds contained far fewer germs which damage the intestines than usual.

Shell fish

The birds' favourite food was krill—tiny shrimp-like shellfish. The navy looked into the tummies of the krill, and found a special type of seaweed.

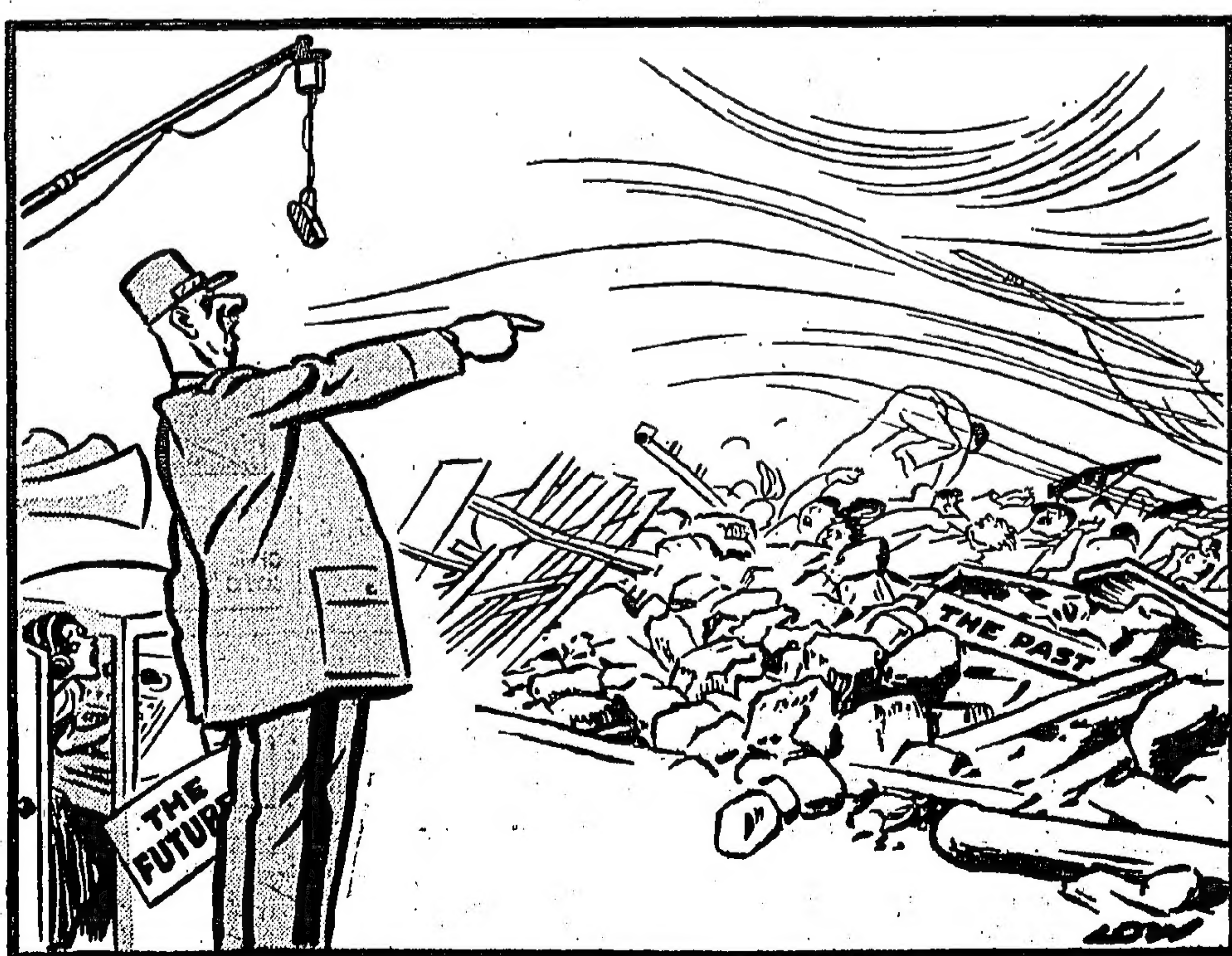
They located the seaweed, analysed it, and isolated the drug.

QUOTE from Kenneth

Bullen, Professor of Applied Mathematics at Sydney University:

"In an average year, there are 10 earthquakes which are national disasters. Another 100 are classed as destructive, whilst 1,000 do at least some damage. Ten thousand others are 'strong enough to cause alarm, and 100,000 are felt by humans. In addition, many earthquakes not felt, are recorded on seismographs." So there is quite a lot to be said for going to the moon—for a bit of peace.

—(London Express Service).



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WOMAN SENSE

LADY ♥ LUCK

your
CHINA MAIL
horoscope

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): You will meet a person of the opposite sex who is in a very good position to help you to further your progress and eventually achieve your ambition.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): A friend may expect you to go out of your way to satisfy a sudden whim of his. Be polite but refuse on the ground that you are otherwise engaged.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): An occurrence which has suddenly forced you to change your immediate plans will prove a blessing in the long run.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): If a superior appears to be roughly this morning, be doubly polite and the atmosphere will soon improve.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): You do not have to worry about compatibility with a person born at the beginning of August. You should get on together very well as there is no danger of any serious friction.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): Don't keep your talents and achievements too much to yourself. Make them known to people who can help you in your advancement.

LEO (July 22-August 21): It will do you no good to be angry about a practical joke a friend may play on you. Take it with a smile.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): On writing an important letter be sure that nothing you say can be misinterpreted. Be explicit and state all relevant points clearly.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): Don't be over-confident when submitting to a test today. Show what you know and can do and hope for the best.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Before signing an agreement committing yourself to a certain action, be sure that you have read it most carefully and understand all the legal aspects involved.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): Don't over-indulge your great love of sport and outdoor activities. Too much exercise can impose an unnecessary strain on your system.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Don't jump to a hasty conclusion when you hear of a relative's inexplicable action. It may turn out to have been quite innocently intended.

YOUR BIRTHDAY: If this is your birthday you will have to work steadily throughout the year in order to acquire the means to keep you on a comfortable level, and be careful not to speculate beyond your means.

JACOBY
on BRIDGE

"WHY does it always happen to me?" moaned South. "Other people back into the bidding and make their contracts but I get killed."

When East dropped his partner at two spades South had decided that his partner would have some of the missing strength and had competed with a three-diamond bid. He could not have been more wrong in his decision. His partner did have some strength but the hand was a misfit and whichever side played it was sure to go down.

West doubled and opened the king of spades. East won with the ace and played ace, king and a third heart which West ruffed. Then West cashed the queen of spades and played a third spade.

NORTH 4
♠ J853
♥ 102
♦ 2
♣ AK1095

EAST (D)
♠ AK10964
♥ AK8754
♦ Q954
♣ J73

SOUTH
♠ 72
♥ Q963
♦ AK1086
♣ 83

No one vulnerable
East South West North
1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass
2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass
Pass Pass Double Pass
Opening lead—♠K

East was unkind enough to ruff with the jack and South had to give up two more trump tricks for a 500-point loss.

It was all lost too as West would not have made two spades. North and South would take two clubs, two diamonds and two trumps before West could gain the lead.

Furthermore, South should have stayed out of trouble. No one twisted his arm to make him bid three diamonds and he should have realised that East and West had quite bidding because of a misfit, not because of lack of strength.

♥♦♣ CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass
2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass
Pass Pass Double Pass

You, South, hold:
♠ AK10964 ♡ AK8754 ♦ Q954 ♣ J73

What do you do?
A—Bid four spades. You have a good hand but your partner might be very weak.

TODAY'S QUESTION

Your partner bids four no-trump, you respond five hearts to show two aces and he bids five no-trump. What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow

Italian fashions
are fun!by
GINA POPESINA

ITALIAN fashions are fun—and most buyers and Press look upon these showings as something of a holiday. Nevertheless, the Italians are serious about making Italy a really big fashion centre—and they are succeeding.

This year's fashion story begins with textile. There are the smooth worsteds being used for the new straight coats, and the really airy open wools are used for the more fluid lines in both coats and dresses.

The two tendencies are as one in their choice of colours. Spring 1960 is announced by fresh bright colours—hydrangea and camellia pinks...sky blue...buttercup yellow, sand and egg shell beige and some lilac and violet.

And the leisured
look for men

THE biggest colour-cum-fabric story, however, is black-and-white. Or perhaps it would be more accurate to call them white-black since in "chinese" type wool fabrics with yards of different thicknesses causing an interesting, irregular effect, the two colours merge. In worsteds, black threads are thickly mingled with white ones, forming a refined effect of dots and sprays.

In the range of fancy wools, Italy is still promoting stripes which are less noticeable elsewhere. On blue or grey grounds there are white stripes giving a "tennis" flannel look. On yellow and pink grounds there are stripes of every dimension.

"GLEN" checks (enormously in demand everywhere by both men and women) are usually in two tones of beige or grey. But the "cavalier" look of black and white comes back in diagonal stripes...in double faced wools, or sometimes in a fabric with a tassel underside of bright hue. Tweed, dotted with black, gives a new background look, while Italian textile manufacturers also have a particular beige colour which tends towards yellow, giving the effect of sunlight on the sand. These wonderful uses of colour are part of the Italian temperament and the artistic gifts which are natural to this country.

ANOTHER novelty which has proved popular is an open surfaced, knitted fabric which is used for spring coats worn over straight tunics of fine crepe wool—a "smashing" success! Italy is gay with colour. There are few plain fabrics, but usually two or more colours, clear and bright.

The leisured look for men is not a fad for wealthy club-goers or "weekend golfers". Instead, it is a practical and new fashion which began with the younger set and has now spread through all age groups. The smoking jacket, long discarded by modern masculine taste, was nevertheless fairly practical, the idea being to discard a heavy jacket at the end of the day. Now, the vast majority of men are discovering warm, light and cosy knitted jackets and shirts which perform the same job in a smarter and more practical way. Knitted fabrics take the lead, with wool jersey and lambswool well in the forefront. Some men, particularly the younger ones, like the wool shirts to be either plain or striped.

In the same way that women have taken to casual wear, men have taken to this new comfortable and practical trend. Although they would die rather than admit it, most of them like this opportunity for adding a splash of colour to a sober suit.

Like much of our sportswear, this trend began in Italy, and today, there are some really elegant and exotic examples of such knitwear at rather exotic prices. Fortunately, for the majority of us, there is a large and less expensive home produced variety to choose from. In a climate which changes rapidly, lightweight wool knitwear is the safest and most comfortable type of garment to wear. In offices as well as on golf courses, the new leisure wear is perfectly acceptable, especially since crease resistant wool gives a well-groomed look at all times. Just one hint for wives and sweethearts who find this new leisure wear an easy idea for present buying. Cardigans tend to be worn slightly on the larger side, but shirts are kept brief and always worn outside the trousers.

Pep up beans
with new sauce

HOT mustard sauce gives snap beans extra flavour and nutrition.

Melt 1 tablespoon butter or margarine in saucepan. Stir in 1 teaspoon flour, ½ teaspoon powdered dry mustard, ¼ teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon ground white pepper. Blend well. Mix 2 slightly beaten egg yolks with ¾ cup milk and stir into mixture. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until thickened. Add 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice and pour over 1 pound cooked fresh snap beans. Serves 5-6.

Tasty baked peppers

BAKED whole green peppers make a tasty work-saver for busy cooks. Wash and dry large green peppers, place in baking pan in preheated moderate (375 degree) oven 45-50 minutes, or until tender. Serve hot, sprinkled with salt, pepper and olive oil to taste.

The Boutiques are now exploring all the novel possibilities of tweed, as tweed for travelling can be superbly smart. The modified bowler in tweed with black velvet trim is teamed effectively with slim, brief (just below the knee) skirt showing plenty of leg, covered with perforated black wool stockings and severely black and simple long-sleeved sweater. Matching also is the sharp-pointed bootee in the same tweed and trimmed with the same black velvet.

Tweed bags, satchel bags and small suitcases are also popular. Outside, they have trimmings of shiny black patent leather, while inside they are lined with yellow flannel or green emerald broadcloth. To complete the ensemble for travelling, are blankets in matching tweed—useful in car or train.

For sheer comfort, in black wool jersey are the slim slacks teamed with the ever popular long sleeved tunic with outside Bertha collar.

A SILENT WORLD

Herman N. Bundeson, M.D., gives some useful points to check when buying a hearing aid.

A SILENT world is a lonely one. If you are hard of hearing, don't wait any longer. See your doctor or an ear specialist tomorrow to determine whether a hearing aid can bring back those sounds—screaming horns, clattering trains, the whisper of a loved one—that are such an important part of our daily lives.

If the doctor says your hearing loss can be aided by a hearing device—and most hearing difficulties can—get one as quickly as possible.

You must choose

But, and this is a big but, get one which best benefits your particular condition. While you should consult your doctor about which aid is most likely to help, you are the final judge.

You should assess the relative value of a hearing aid on the following points:

1. Performance. This is most important. Make sure the aid delivers enough power for your particular hearing loss. Remember, the function of an aid

is to bring sound back into your life as richly and as quickly as possible.

2. Cost per hour of operation. Economy of operation is important, of course, since you will be paying for its use continually. A good conventional aid can be operated very reasonably. Some very tiny aids cost six times as much to operate.

Economy

Let me inject one more tip on economy. Be sure to remove the batteries from your aid or turn it off each night when you go to bed. Not only will this prevent exhaustion of the batteries, but it will prevent those that have been used longer than recommended from

leaking and damaging your hearing aid.

3. Size. Don't sacrifice good hearing for small size. A miniature aid may or may not be best for you. Find out about the comparative power output and operating cost before you purchase any aid.

Moderate price

4. Initial Cost. Excellent aids are available at moderate prices. Generally, a miniature aid will cost more than corresponding conventional types.

5. Appearance. There is a wide range of models available. Some have elegant designs, some are inconspicuous. Choose one that suits your individual taste and harmonizes with the way you dress.

STORIES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

A Lesson In Marching

—Everybody Except Teddy Keeps In Step—

By MAX TRELL

"LEFT—RIGHT, left—right!" General Tin was saying. Behind General Tin, the Tin Soldier, marched everybody in the room.

First came Hanid, the Shadow Girl with the Turned-About Name. She marched with a broomstick over her shoulder.

Knarf was next.

Next in line came Knarf, the Shadow Boy. He had a wooden sword in his belt and a flag at the end of a poker.

Then came Mr Punch. He marched in his bedroom slippers. Plop-plop went the slippers, plop-plop they went, as Mr Punch went marching along.

After Mr Punch came his wife, Judy. She beat a pie-plate with a wooden spoon as she marched. Bing-bang, bing-bang she went.

Then came Hiawatha, the Small-Sized Wooden Indian.

Rode on Whoa

He rode on the back of Whoa, the Hobby Horse.

Clip-clop, clip-clop went Whoa, the Hobby Horse, as he rocked along.

After Hiawatha came Miss Gloria, the beautiful China Doll. She smiled as she marched. She opened and shut her eyes every time she took a step.

Click-clack, click-clack went Miss Gloria's beautiful blue eyes as the lids went up and down.

Behind Miss Gloria

Right behind Miss Gloria, the China Doll, marched Mary-Jane, the Rag Doll. She had two tin buttons on her jacket.

Poor Teddy! He was hopping all over the place.

"Halt!" shouted General Tin. Everybody halted—except Teddy. He marched straight into the wall.

General Tin came over and glared at Teddy.

"What's the matter with you, Private Teddy Bear? You were out of step the whole time!"

"W-was I?" stammered Teddy.

"Can't you tell your right from your left?" said General Tin.

"Yes, Sure I can, I mean—er, I'm tired. I don't think I can do any more marching. Good-night," said Teddy.

He tried to crawl under the table, but General Tin held him by the tail and pulled him back again.

Makes him stay

"You're going to stay here and learn how to march!" General Tin said sternly. "Hanid, my dear Girl, would you mind showing Teddy, this very stupid



"What's the matter with you, Teddy?" asked General Tin.

Bear, which is his left foot and which is his right foot?"

"They both look the same to me," said Teddy.

Hanid showed Teddy which was his left foot and which was his right foot. Only Teddy couldn't remember which was which for more than a minute.

"Can't I just hop?" wailed Teddy.

"Certainly not!" said General Tin.

Ride on horse?

"Or let me ride on a Horse, like Hiawatha?" begged Teddy.

"Absolutely not!" shouted everybody.

Finally Mr Punch thought of a scheme to make Teddy learn the difference between his left foot and his right foot.

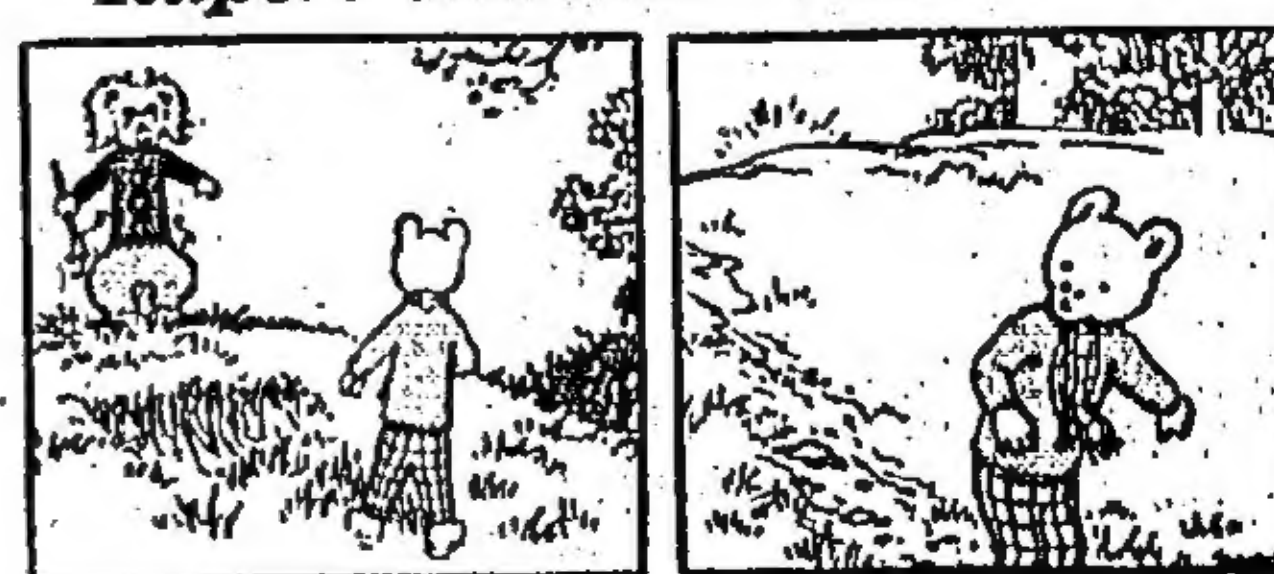
Mr Punch tied a red ribbon on Teddy's left shoe and a blue ribbon on Teddy's right shoe.

"Now I'll remember!" said Teddy.

And Teddy did remember.

"Left-right, left-right, red-blue, red-blue!" shouted General Tin, and this time everyone marched in step!

Rupert and the Windies—7



After Bingo is out of sight Pong-Pong calms down somewhat. "Well, at least we know what was making everything shake," he says. "Now perhaps I can get on with my book in peace, so goodbye, Rupert." The two pale separate and go their different ways, but barely are they out of sight of each other when Rupert stops and listens. There's a noise like Pong-Pong's voice again, angrier than ever! What a chap he is! What can have upset him this time?

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Winter Olympics open with pomp and pageantry at Squaw Valley

Squaw Valley, Feb. 18.
The 1960 Winter Olympic Games opened with pomp and problems today amid the striking splendour of this snug and snowy valley nestled in the High Sierra.

The pageantry was of human origin, the problems were largely the work of the weather. It snowed and stormed all morning and nearly a foot of snow had fallen by the time the opening ceremony began this afternoon.

Traffic was badly jammed for miles along roads leading to the valley and the opening programme was delayed 15 minutes for late arrivals.

These included U.S. Vice-president Richard M. Nixon, whose plane from Sacramento, California, to Reno, Nevada, was not allowed to land for several minutes because of the storm.

The venue

The venue of the opening ceremony was indoors at the Blyth Ice Arena and outdoors at the tower of Nations. The arena temperature was right around freezing. It was 27 degrees Fahrenheit outside. For more than an hour before the programme began, a 2,600-voice High School chorus stood in the swirling snow on either side of the Tower of Nations. In front of the singers were 1,500 shivering musicians, mem-

bers of California and Nevada high school bands. The United States Marine band, somewhat more fortunate, was just inside the open end of the arena, attired in heavy olive green uniforms.

The ceremony began with an introduction of Vice-president Nixon by columnist Bill Henry of the Los Angeles Times, who acted as public address announcer.

Approximately 6,500 spectators were in the arena. In a fireworks display opening the Games, the flag of Greece, the United States, the VIII Winter Olympic flag and the Olympic flag itself were fired into the air.

"The people of the United States of America, to all the people of the world, welcome and honour to the Olympians. As first in the far Greek Pelopon-

nesos, again here in Squaw Valley, let the rivalry of good men and fair play be pledged."

The flags of the 30 nations entered in this Olympics went up and the parade of athletes began. Just as the parade started the snow stopped and the sun broke through.

The Greek flag came first although Greece does not have a team in these Winter Olympics. After the teams got to their positions, announcer Bill Henry asked the crowd to give a "big American welcome" to the Olympic athletes of all nations. The assembly responded with a roar.

With the teams in position the flag bearers marched outside the arena to encircle the speaker's stand.

President C. Hale, President of the Olympic organising committee, was the first speaker. He urged the athletes to get together

during their stay here so they could return home as "the world's best ambassadors for unity and peace."

"Before we on earth devote ourselves to conquering outer space, we should devote ourselves to conquering inner space."

Declared open

Brundage said: "I have the honour to ask the Vice-President of the United States, Richard M. Nixon—representing President Dwight Eisenhower—to proclaim open the VIII Olympic Winter Games, initiated by the Baron Pierre de Coubertine."

Nixon, speaking from his box in the Tribune of Honour, said: "I now declare open the Winter Olympic Games of Squaw Valley celebrating the Eighth Winter Games."

Some spectators expressed mystification at this point on seeing that a flame was burning brightly in the large pedestal at the Tower of Nations, although the skier and skater who were supposed to bring the torch down Squaw Peak and around the skating oval had not yet appeared.

After the Olympic hymn was sung by a massed chorus of 4,000 High School students, Benzo Menardi, Deputy Mayor of Cortina, Italy, site of the 1956 Winter Games, presented the Winter Olympic flag to U.S. Congressman Harold T. Johnson, who represented this district in the American Congress.

After that came three cannon shots and the release of

several thousand homing pigeons representing the traditional "doves of peace."

Two unfortunate birds got lost and darted inside the arena and crashed into a large scoreboard suspended from the ceiling.

One of the birds, apparently unconscious, tumbled into the crowd below.

At this point the prematurely lit torch flame in the Tower of Nations had almost burned itself out.

Andrew Mead Lawrence, who won two skiing gold medals for the United States in the 1952 Olympics, began the descent of Papoose Peak with the official torch.

A roll of drums from the Marine band accompanied her down the hill. Followed by eight other skiers and holding the torch aloft, Mrs Lawrence arrived at the skating rink.

At the edge of the skating oval she handed the torch to Ken Henry, a United States gold medal "winner" at the 1952 Olympics in Oslo. The Marine band played the march from "The Captain from Castle" as Henry skated with long, graceful strides around the arena, the torch elevated high in his right hand.

Prayer

Henry, after making one circuit of the skating oval, climbed up a bank in front of the Tower of Nations, then ascended a white wooden tower, and dipped the torch into the large black metal bowl atop its standard igniting the flame that will burn throughout the 11-day Games.

After that came three cannon shots and the release of

burn brightly through the ages, linking nation with nation and man with man as brothers.

"Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way, lead us from night to never ending day; all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory and praise be ever Thine."

The massed High School chorus, accompanied by the Marine Corps band, sang in the background as Malden read another prayer:

"From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be Thy strong arm our sure defence, Thy true religion in our hearts increase. Thy boundless goodness nourish us in peace, be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay; Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way."

Oath

During his prayer, Carol Heiss, America's world champion figure skater, inconspicuously left the American delegation and began a lonely walk to the rostrum. She represented all the athletes in reciting the Olympic oath.

The 20-year-old New Yorker raised her right hand and said: "In the name of all competitors, I swear that we will take part in these Olympic Games, respecting and abiding by the rules which govern them in the true spirit of sportsmanship, for the glory of sport and honour of our country."

The U.S. Marine band struck up "The Star Spangled Banner" and Carol had a big smile on her face. At a given signal during the national anthem, the first of many salvos of daylight shells was fired, sending ponderous puffs of smoke sweeping over the Tower of Nations. Thousands of balloons—blue, yellow, red, were released and floated gaily off into the brightening skies to the West—AP.

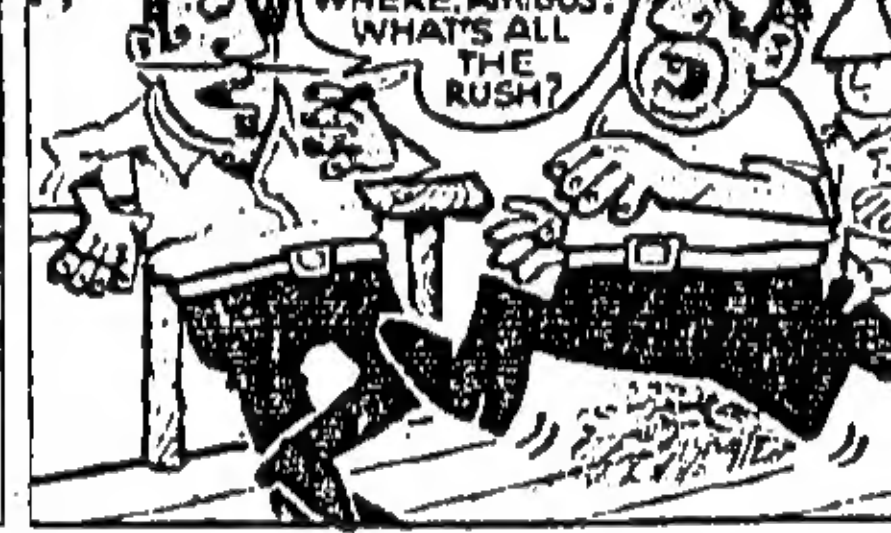
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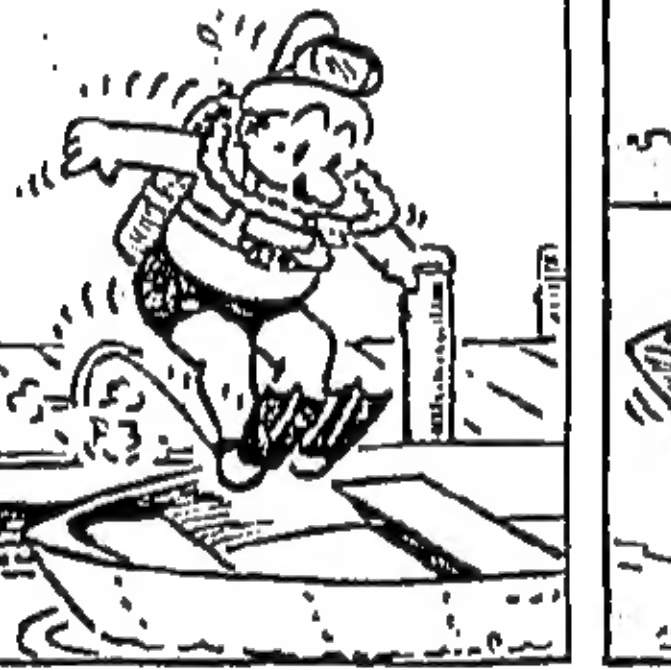
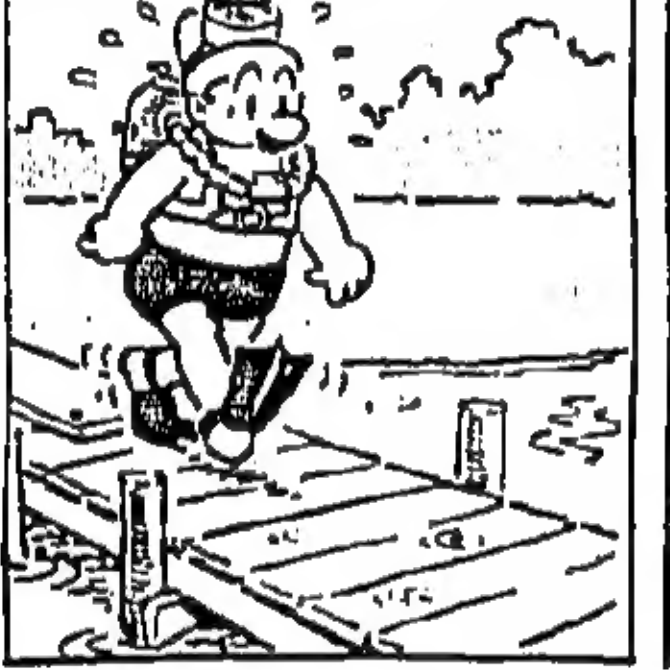
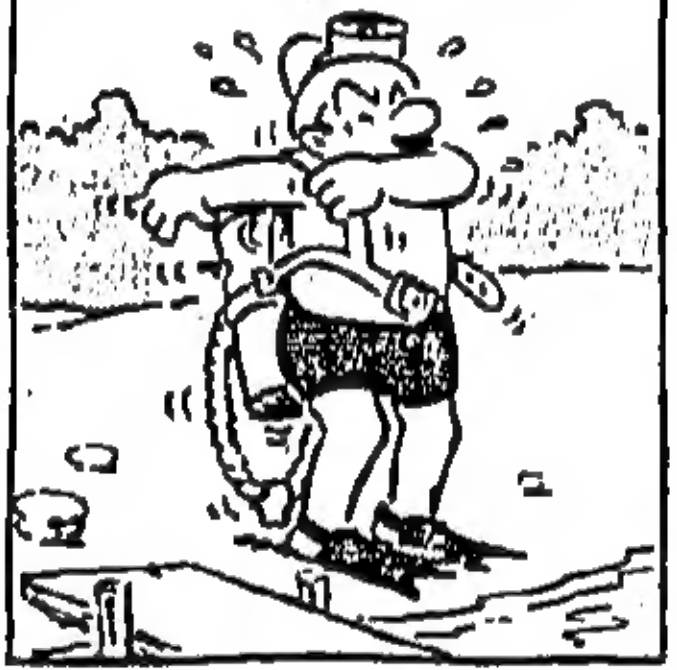
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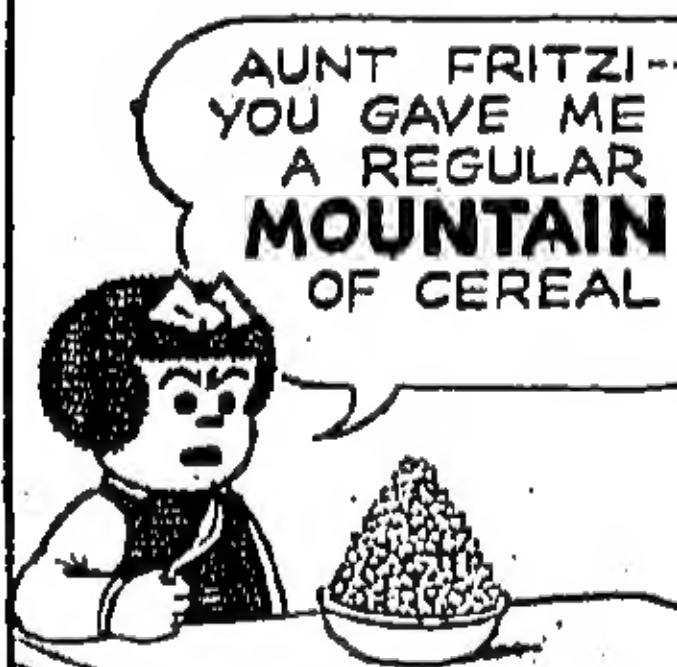
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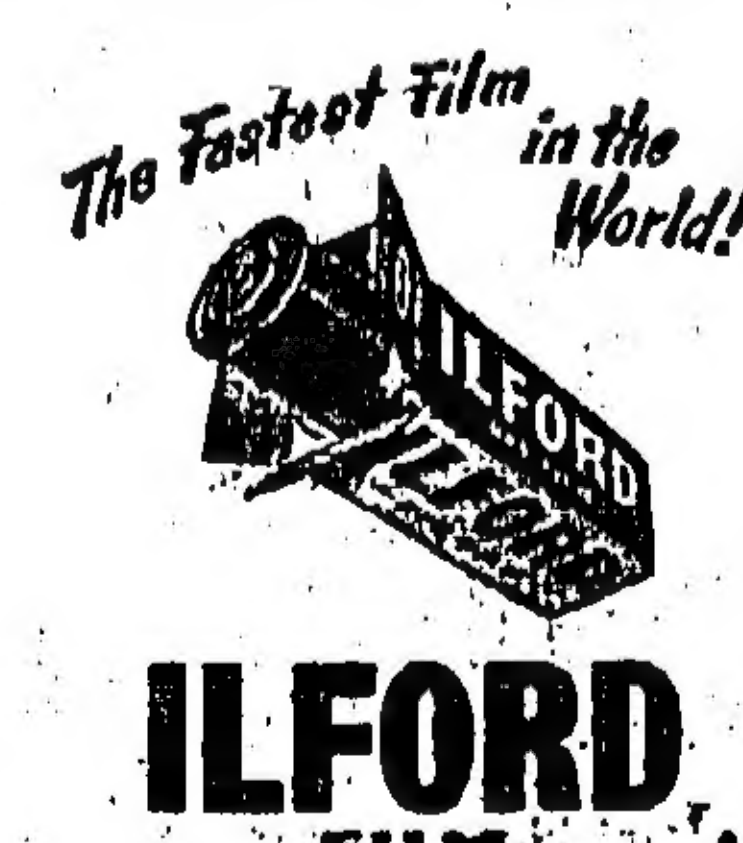
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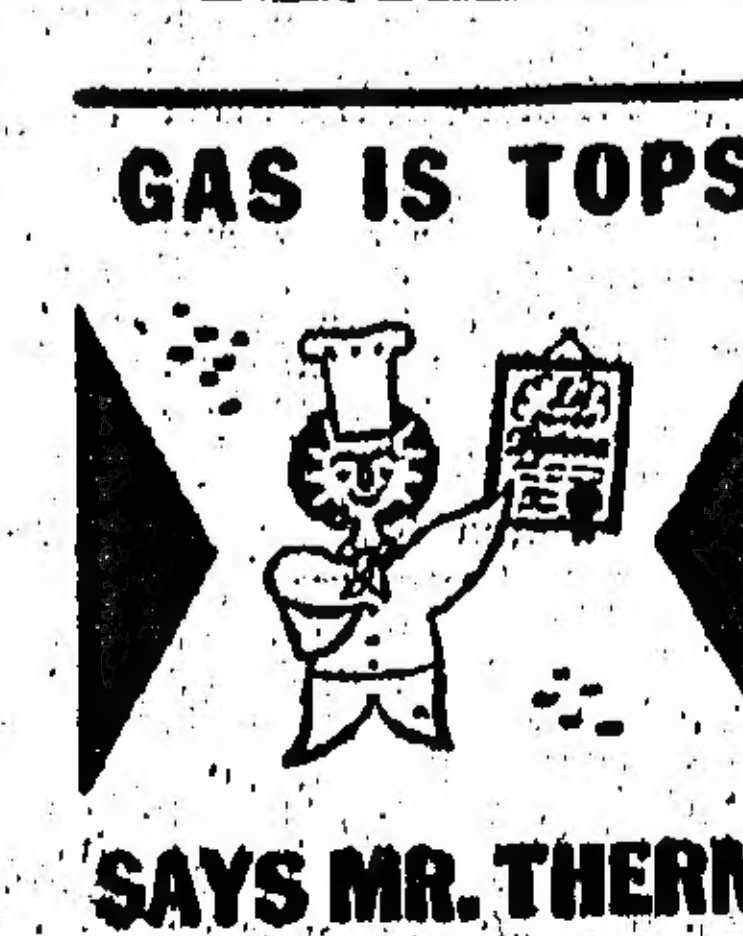
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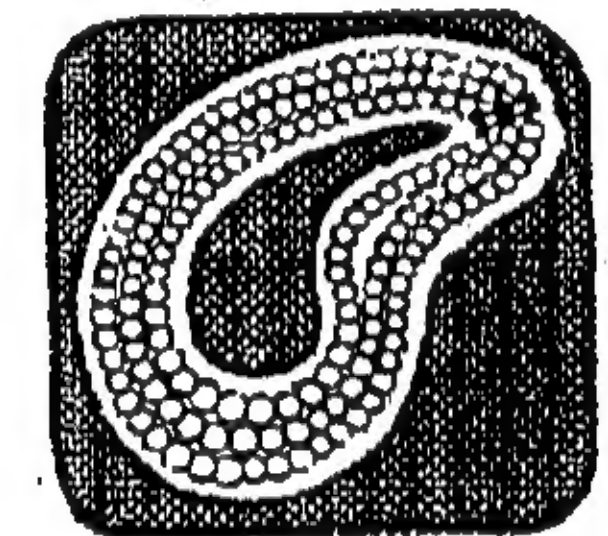
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